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SUBJ: TTBT/PNE NEGOTIATIONS: MEETING WORKING GROUP I, JANUARY
28 ROUND VI - TTBT/PNE DELEGATION MESSAGE NO. 5

REF: MOSCOW 1169

1. WORKING GROUP I MET AT 9:30 AM JANUARY 28 (BUCHEIM/
MARTIN - TIMERBAEV/KOCHETKOV/MILKO) TO COMPARE PROTOCOL
TEXTS AS UNDERSTOOD BY TWO SIDES AS OF DECEMBER 18.

2. TIMERBAEV AFFIRMED THAT U.S. VERSION, EXCEPT FOR A
FEW MINOR DIFFERENCES, IS SAME AS SOVIET UNDERSTANDING OF
DECEMBER 18 TEXTS OF BOTH SIDES.

3. U.S. SIDE SAID THAT ONLY DISCERNIBLE DIFFERENCE OF
SIGNIFICANCE IS THAT SOVIET VERSION SHOWS LANGUAGE OF
SOVIET ARTICLE VI PARA 1 AS AGREED ALSO AS U.S. ARTICLE
VII PARA 1, AND THAT THIS IS NOT AGREED. COMMENT: SOVIET
LANGUAGE IS AMBIGUOUS AS TO WHO WILL "USE" EQUIPMENT;
THIS WILL BE ADDRESSED IN WORKING GROUP I MEETING JANUARY 29.

4. U.S. SIDE PRESENTED "AN" VERSUS "THE" TYPE CHANGES
IN TEXT, WHICH WERE ACCEPTED, AND SAID THAT MORE SUB-
STANTIVE LANGUAGE SUGGESTIONS WOULD BE HELD FOR RESTRICTED
MEETINGS IN DEFERENCE TO MOROKHOV'S INSISTENCE THAT
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EXPERTS NOT TRANSACT BUSINESS WITHOUT HIM BEING PRESENT.

5. U.S. SIDE PRESENTED SUGGESTED LANGUAGE TO REPLACE BRACKETED PORTIONS OF ARTICLES XII THROUGH XIV, WHICH SOVIET SIDE WILL REFER TO LAPTEV. (REFERENCE MARK-UP OF COMPARATIVE PROTOCOL TEXT DATED JANUARY 23, 1976.)

6. CONCERNING FORMAT, TIMERBAEV ACKNOWLEDGED THAT HE TOO IS CONCERNED ABOUT POTENTIAL FOR CONFLICTING INTERPRETATIONS OF REPETITIVE PARTS OF SOVIET FORMAT (POINT (2) OF U.S. COMMENTS REPORTED REFTEL).
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